

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
50060-00127

In Re Application Of: **MILLER ET AL.**

Serial No.  
10/688,024

Filing Date  
10/17/03

Examiner  
K. TAMAI

Group Art Unit  
2834

Invention: **METHOD FOR OPERATING A MICROELECTROMECHANICAL SYSTEM USING  
A STIFF COUPLING**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 3/24/04 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☒ One month    ☐ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: 6/24/04                      until: 7/24/04  
*Date*    *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	22 -	20 =	2	x \$9.00	\$18.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2 -	3 =	0	x 43	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$18.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$73.00

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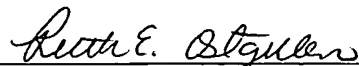
- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$73.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of **\$73.00**
- ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☐ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **50-1419**

  
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Dated: 7/9/04

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on 7/9/04 with the U.S. Postal Service  
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